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General Assembly

Seventy-first session

High-level dialogue on "Building Sustainable Peace for all: Synergies between the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and Sustaining Peace" [webcast]

09:00		Trusteeship Council Chamber
	Opening segment	
10:00		Trusteeship Council Chamber
	High-level segment and plenary debate	
11:00		Trusteeship Council Chamber
	Interactive panel discussion on taking a comprehensive approach to sustainable development and sustaining peace	
14:00		Trusteeship Council Chamber
	Plenary debate *(continued)*	
15:00	Workshops focusing on linkages across three themes (in parallel):	
	1. Empowering women and youth for peace and sustainable development	Conference Room 1

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	2. Managing natural resources for peace and sustainable development	Conference Room 11
	3. Strengthening transparent, inclusive, and accountable institutions	Conference Room 12
17:30		Trusteeship Council Chamber
	Interactive discussion among the moderators of Workshops 1, 2 and 3	
17:55		Trusteeship Council Chamber
	Closing	

[Please *click here* for more information. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 6 December 2016, 10 January 2017 and 22 January 2017, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. Delegations wishing to speak in the high-level segment and the plenary debate are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of Speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Mr. Carlos Galindo (e-mail galindo@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063), with copy to e-mail gaspeakerslist@un.org). Statements in the high-level segment should not exceed *five minutes* and statements in the plenary debate should not exceed *three minutes*. For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail. For more information on the event, please *click here*.]

15:00		Economic and Social Council Chamber
	Informal consultations on the "pre-final" draft of the modalities resolution on the intergovernmental negotiations leading to the adoption of a global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration to be presented at an intergovernmental conference on international migration in 2018	

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 19 January 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	

2017 Working Group on Contingent-Owned Equipment

10:00 to 10:30	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3

Sub-Working Group – Major Equipment

10:30 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3

Sub-Working Group – Self-Sustainment

10:30 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Sub-Working Group – Medical Support Service

10:30 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6

Human Rights Council

Working Group on the issue of discrimination against women in law and in practice
Eighteenth session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 9
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 9

Security Council

Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 7

Informal Working Group on Documentation and Other Procedural Questions

15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7

Other meetings

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Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS): Working Group

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 12

Group of Least Developed Countries (briefing by the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) on its mandate and programs, and preview of the Strategic Framework road map)

10:00 to 12:00 Closed meeting Conference Room B

Briefing on "Refugee protection and mixed migration" (organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR))

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Jenifer Fenton, UNHCR New York Office (e-mail fenton@unhcr.org; tel. 1 (646) 255-3054).

Asia-Pacific Group (monthly meeting)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Group of Least Developed Countries (at the ambassadorial level)

15:30 to 17:30 Closed meeting Conference Room B

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Wednesday, 25 January 2017

10:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the "pre-final" draft of the modalities resolution on the intergovernmental negotiations leading to the adoption of a global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration to be presented at an intergovernmental conference on international migration in 2018

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 19 January 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly

Monday, 20 February 2017

10:00 1st meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

[Letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 19 January 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

Wednesday, 25 January 2017

15:00 280th meeting (closed) Conference Room 12

Delegations of Member States and observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee (Mr. Surya Sinha (e-mail sinha1@un.org; Room S-3632)).

The meeting *will not be open to members of the press or the public*. Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, *at least 48 hours prior to the meeting*, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5).

Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements *in advance of the meeting*.

United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development
Preparatory meeting

Wednesday, 15, and Thursday, 16 February 2017

10:00 Conference Room 4

15:00 Conference Room 4

The President of the General Assembly, pursuant to operative paragraph 18 of General Assembly resolution 70/303, will convene a two-day preparatory meeting, to be chaired by the co-facilitators appointed to oversee the preparatory process and to conclude the intergovernmental consultations on a "Call for Action", His Excellency Álvaro Mendonça Moura, Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations, and His Excellency Burhan Gafoor, Permanent Representative of Singapore to the United Nations, with a view to considering the themes for the partnership dialogues of the Conference and elements for a "Call for Action".

As stipulated in Assembly resolution 70/303, the preparatory process shall be open to all States Members of the United Nations, members of the specialized agencies and parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. Other relevant stakeholders, including organizations and bodies of the United Nations, intergovernmental organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions, the

scientific community, the private and philanthropic organizations, whose work is relevant to the Conference and accredited in accordance with the provisions of resolution 70/303, are invited to participate as observers. Associate members of the regional commissions are also invited to participate as observers. Additional information on registration and accreditation is available on the Conference website, please *click here*.

For additional information on the preparatory meeting please contact Ms. Ling Wang (e-mail wang24@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0727), Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 3 November 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Informal briefings

The Department of Field Support and the Department of Peacekeeping Operations will provide informal briefings (closed) to members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, as follows:

Tuesday, 31 January 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

Developing stronger field support arrangements; and Office of Strategic Peacekeeping Partnerships

Friday, 3 February 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

Protection issues

2017 substantive session
21 February to 17 March 2017

Tuesday, 21 February 2017

10:00 Opening meeting Conference Room 1

In accordance with General Assembly resolution A/51/136, "those Member States which become personnel contributors to United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chair of the Committee, become members at the following session of the Committee". Member States wishing to submit such a request *should address the request in advance* of the session to *the secretariat* (e-mail del-vasto@un.org).

States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to this session of the Special Committee *should send a request to the secretariat* (e-mail del-vasto@un.org).

The *provisional agenda of the session* is contained in A/AC.121/2017/L.1 and the draft programme of work is contained in A/AC.121/2017/L.2 (to be issued). The report of the Secretary-General on the Implementation of the recommendations of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations is contained in document A/71/587 and

A/71/587/Add.1 and posted on the website of the Special Committee (www.c34.unlb.org/). Other documents of the session will also be posted on the website.

PaperSmart will be offered as an additional service for the 2017 substantive session of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations. The official documentation of the Special Committee will be available electronically via the PaperSmart portal by *clicking here* in all official languages.

The *list of speakers* for the general debate (21-22 February) *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed in the list should contact the secretariat (Mr. Tomas Casas (e-mail casast@un.org)). In light of the limited time available, in accordance with past practice, delegations are encouraged to limit their statements to *10 minutes* when speaking in their national capacity and to *20 minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group of countries.

Delegates are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart4@un.org, *at least two hours in advance*, of their designated speaking slot and bring only 30 copies of their statements for technical services. The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the Portal.

Background information on the Special Committee is available and accessible to Committee members and observers by *clicking here*.

For inquiries regarding user names and passwords or inclusion in the Committee mailing list, kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org).

Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization
2017 session
21 February to 1 March 2017

Tuesday, 21 February 2017

10:00 284th meeting Conference Room 3

The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document A/AC.182/L.145, and is available on the website of the Special Committee (*click here*). Other relevant documents for the session will also be posted on the website.

The list of speakers for the general debate, to be held on Tuesday, 21 February 2017, *is open*. Delegations are urged to contact the secretariat of the Special Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5331; fax 1 (212) 963-1963)) if they wish to be inscribed on the list.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 50/52 of 11 December 1995, the Special Committee is open to all States Members of the United Nations. Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org, Room DC2-0566; fax 1 (212) 963-1963).

Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples
Organizational meeting

Thursday, 23 February 2017

10:00 Conference Room 2

Documents to be considered by the Special Committee at the meeting are contained in A/AC.109/2017/L.1, A/AC.109/2017/L.2 and A/AC.109/2017/L.3 (to be issued).

Permanent missions are kindly requested to communicate the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Special Committee in 2017, to Ms. Karen Lock, Secretary of the Special Committee (e-mail lock@un.org; with copy to del-vasto@un.org and casast@un.org).

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board

Pre-session informal meeting

Thursday, 26 January 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 2

In advance of the first regular session of 2017 of the Executive Board of UN-Women

The pre-session meeting will be combined with an informal briefing on corporate evaluation of UN-Women Regional Architecture.

First regular session

Tuesday, 14 February 2017 Conference Room 3

The annotated provisional agenda and work plan for the session are contained in document UNW/2017/L.1. Advance copies of documentation are available on the UN-Women Executive Board website. Executive Board members, observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail *their credentials* (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead) to Ms. Rocío Torres (e-mail rocio.torres@unwomen.org).

For requests to be on *the speakers' list* for agenda item 2 (evaluation), please send an e-mail to rocio.torres@unwomen.org, *as early as possible*, but no later than Friday, 3 February 2017. There will be no prepared speaker lists for the other agenda items.

The upcoming first regular session will be PaperSmart as per established practice. All official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal (*click here*) and will not be distributed by conference services during the session.

Member States may however make specific requests for hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org) at *least two hours in advance* of their

speaking slot. The statements will be accessible electronically via the PaperSmart Portal at the time of delivery, and will be under embargo until then.

Delegations are kindly requested to provide 15 hard copies of official statements for interpretation and other services, and are encouraged to carry their laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices to be able to access the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Eleventh session

Organizational Committee

Wednesday, 25 January 2017

10:00 Conference Room 7

Economic and Social Council
2017 session

Thursday, 26 January 2017

10:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The President of the Economic and Social Council (Zimbabwe) will convene a plenary meeting, in order to elect a Vice-President of the Council at its 2017 session. The Council will also take action on draft proposals relating to the theme of the integration segment (to be issued as document E/2017/L.11), as well as the change in the dates of the April coordination and management meeting (to be issued as document E/2017/L.11) of the 2017 session of the Council.

Youth Forum

Monday, 30, and Tuesday, 31 January 2017 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Economic and Social Council will hold its sixth youth forum on the theme "The role of youth in poverty eradication and promoting prosperity in a changing world".

A ministerial roundtable on youth issues and youth engagement in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development will be held immediately following the opening segment.

In view of the interactive nature of the youth forum, there will be no pre-determined list of speakers and participants are requested to refrain from reading prepared statements. In order to provide for maximum participation, interventions will be limited to *three minutes* (*five minutes* for groups).

All are invited to attend. Due to limited seating, Member States that are not members of the Council, as well as the United Nations system and other organizations who wish to participate, should communicate the composition of their delegation to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o alejandrino@un.org, with a copy to simonp@un.org)

no later than noon on Friday, 27 January 2017, in order to be provided a seat in the plenary room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Additional information on the youth forum, including the draft programme, general concept note and ministerial roundtable concept note, as well as logistical information for participation, is available on the website of the Council (*click here*) or please contact Mr. Paul Simon, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail simonp@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5027).

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2017 regular session

30 January to 8 February and 21 February 2017 Conference Room 1

The annotated provisional agenda has been issued as document E/C.2/2017/1. Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note verbal to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Alexander Lomaia (e-mail lomaia@un.org, with a copy to komatina@un.org; Room S-3057).

Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee (its procedures, forms and documentation) is available on the Website of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (please *click here*).

Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.

Commission for Social Development

Informal consultations

Thursday, 26 January 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room A

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution on disabilities, under item 3 (b) of the provisional agenda of the fifty-fifth session of the Commission, convened by the Chair

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Fifty-fifth session
1 to 10 February 2017

Wednesday, 1 February 2017

10:00 Opening meeting Conference Room 4

The provisional annotated agenda and the proposed organization of work are contained in document E/CN.5/2017/1. For further information on the fifty-fifth and previous sessions of the Commission, please *click here*.

For the *participation and seating arrangements*, members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Sangeeta Sharma, of the composition of their delegations (c/o

Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org), with a copy to Mr. Mahmoud Ablan (e-mail ablanm@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Due to the limited number of seats available for observers (including Member States that are not members of the Commission) in Conference Room 4, only observers who will communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat, *by Friday, 27 January 2017,* will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis. Delegations should contact the secretariat regarding accessibility requirements, *as soon as possible* (e-mail doultonf@un.org).

General discussion under item 3 (a) of the provisional agenda (Priority theme: Strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all) will begin on Wednesday, 1 February 2017, following the opening of the session. The general discussion under item 3 (b) (Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups) will begin on Friday, 3 February 2017, in the afternoon. For further details, please consult the proposed organization of work in Annex I to document E/CN.5/2017/1.

The *lists of speakers* are open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the lists should contact, *in writing*, Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that, according to past practice, statements made by individual Member States should not exceed *seven minutes*, statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*, and statements made by observers should not exceed *five minutes*.

Delegates are informed that *PaperSmart services* are offered as an additional service for the fifty-fifth session of the Commission. The *statements* will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal at the time of delivery by delegations.

To consult comprehensive information on the *participation of non-governmental organizations* in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

First regular session

Tuesday, 7, to Thursday, 9 February 2017 Conference Room 3

The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work of the UNICEF Executive Board are contained in document E/ICEF/2017/1. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available by *clicking here*. Member States as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (1 (212) 326-7096); or e-mail them to harai@unicef.org, as early as possible, but *no later than Friday, 3 February 2017*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene. The time limit set for delivering statements during the general discussion is *five minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *three minutes* for individual delegations.

As per established practice, advance copies of all session documentation are available on the UNICEF Executive Board website (*click here*). The upcoming 2017 first regular session will be a PaperSmart session of the UNICEF Executive Board. This means that

instead of distributing hardcopies in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the UNICEF Executive Board website (*click here*). UNICEF is fully committed to diversity and inclusion. To ensure that the Executive Board session is fully accessible, participants are kindly reminded of a few basic tenets that will enable all delegates to enjoy the full benefit of the deliberations. To the extent possible, speakers are encouraged to introduce themselves and to read out and/or verbally describe visual materials in slides, charts and graphs.

The United Nations provides a range of tools and services in support of persons with disabilities through its Accessibility Centre (located in the first basement level of the Conference Building); an Accessibility Service Kiosk (adjacent to the Information Desk at the Visitors' Entrance); and a Documents Assistance Centre (in the Delegates' Lounge). UNICEF would be happy to put delegates in touch with the Centre, or – with advance notice – they need to let UNICEF know what kind of services would be needed to procure on their behalf.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (Attn. Mr. Dillon Leano (e-mail dleano@unicef.org)). The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement *and* in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the 'In-session' webpage on the UNICEF Executive Board website. Delegations are kindly requested to bring 10 copies of their statements to the conference officers for interpretation. Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
First regular session 2017

Monday, 30 January, to Friday, 3 February 2017 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The provisional agenda, annotations and list of documents for the session are contained in document DP/2017/L1. Kindly note that documents for the UNDP and UNOPS segments of the session are posted on the UNDP Executive Board website (*click here*) and for the UNFPA segment on the UNFPA website (*click here*). Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead) to the Executive Board secretariat at eb.secretariat@undp.org, with copy to ferguson@unfpa.org, *as early as possible*.

The first regular session 2017 will continue to use the electronic system to identify requests to take the floor. Delegations with a special interest on any of the UNDP and UNOPS agenda items are kindly requested to communicate their intention to intervene during such items to the Executive Board secretariat at eb.secretariat@undp.org. Interventions related to UNFPA items should be communicated to speakerslist@unfpa.org.

As per established practice, the first regular session 2017 will be *PaperSmart*. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart portal. The PaperSmart portal will provide access to the official documents in all official languages. Statements, background documents, informal documents and presentations will be available in the language of submission. The portal will be accessible via papersmart.un.org. Documents and statements will be available for viewing and downloading through laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices.

Alternatively, Member States may request hard copies of documents using the print on demand icon located next to the document in the PaperSmart portal.

Member States may also request hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room. Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements or presentations by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org), *at least two hours in advance* of their speaking slot. The intended agenda item should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart portal upon delivery. Delegations are kindly requested *to provide 15 hard copies* of the official statements for the interpretation and other services.

United Nations Population Fund

Briefings

Wednesday, 1 February 2017

13:15 to 14:45 Conference Room 5

On the UNFPA Strategic Plan 2018-2021

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Friday, 3 February 2017

10:00 to 11:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

On UNFPA humanitarian response funding

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming other meetings

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International Expert Group Meeting on the theme "Implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: the role of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and other indigenous-specific mechanisms: article 42" (organized by the secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Wednesday, 25, to Friday, 27 January 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 11

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 11

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Mr. Elias Centellas, secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (e-mail centellas@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 363-6663).

Event entitled "Mental Health for All: Local Strategies" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Australia, Belgium, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Palau and Panama, the New York City Mayor's Office for International Affairs, the ThriveNYC and the World Health Organization (WHO))

Wednesday, 25 January 2017

11:30 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kenlie Lipiano, Permanent Mission of Palau (e-mail proffice@palauun.org; tel. 1 (212) 813-0310).

Briefing on "The Water-food Nexus: Tackling Water Scarcity in the Context of Sustainable Development" (organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO))

Wednesday, 25 January 2017

12:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 8

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Anastasia Kefalidou, FAO Liaison Office in New York (e-mail kefalidoua@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0990); or *click here*.

Group of Least Developed Countries (at the ambassadorial level (with the Secretary-General))

Wednesday, 25 January 2017

17:45 to 18:45 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

Workshop entitled "International Law: Challenges and Opportunities for the International Criminal Court" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden and the United Nations Institute of Training and Research (UNITAR))

Thursday, 26 January 2017

09:30 to 13:00 Conference Room D

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room D

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Mr. Pelayo Alvarez, UNITAR New York Office (e-mails pelayo.alvarez@unitar.org or nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Eastern European Group (monthly meeting) (at the expert level)

Thursday, 26 January 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room A

Briefing entitled "Educating against Extremism, Building a Better Future" (in observance of the International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the victims of the Holocaust (27 January)) (organized by NGO Relations, Advocacy and Special Events Section and the Holocaust and the United Nations Outreach Programme, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information)

Thursday, 26 January 2017

11:00 to 12:30 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For more information, please contact Ms. Hawa Diallo, DPI/NGO Relations (e-mail diallo9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).

Special events on the occasion of the International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust (27 January) (organized by the Department of Public Information (DPI))

NGO briefing on "Holocaust Remembrance: Educating against Extremism, Building a Better Future"

Thursday, 26 January 2017

11:00 to 12:30 Conference Room 1

All are invited to attend. To register, please *click here*.

United Nations Holocaust Memorial Ceremony on the theme "Holocaust Remembrance: Educating for a Better Future"

Friday, 27 January 2017

11:00 to 12:45 General Assembly Hall

All are invited to attend. To register, please *click here*.

[To consult the complete list of special events on the occasion of the International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust, please *click here*.]

Briefing on "Future of financing for sustainable development" (organized by the Office of the President of the General Assembly and the World Bank Group)

Thursday, 26 January 2017

13:15 to 14:45 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Gustavo Bono, World Bank (e-mail gbono@worldbank.org).

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS) (plenary meeting)

Thursday, 26 January 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

Wednesday, 8 February 2017

15:00 to 16:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

Non-Aligned Movement (at the ambassadorial level) (monthly meeting)

Thursday, 26 January 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) (Committee of the Whole)

Monday, 30 January 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 5

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Multi-Stakeholder Forum "Women's Economic Empowerment in the Changing World of Work" (organized by the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Monday, 30 January 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Estefania Guallar, UN-Women (e-mail estefania.guallar@unwomen.org); or *click here*.

Briefing on "The Road Map to the United Nations Capital Development Fund Strategic Framework, 2018-2021" (organized by the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF))

Monday, 30 January 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kris Supangkat, UNCDF (e-mail krisanhty.supangkat@uncdf.org; tel. 1 (212) 906-6436).

Interactive meeting on "Africa's Youth on the Rise! Harnessing Africa's Youth Dividend to Achieve Prosperity for All" (co-organized by the Economic and Social Council, the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa, the African Union, the Pan-African Youth Union, the United Nations Development Programme and the African Development Bank)

Tuesday, 31 January 2017

09:30 to 11:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Juliet Wasswa-Mugambwa, Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (e-mail wasswa-mugambwa@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9576); to register, please *click here*.

Event entitled "Youth Innovation to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): Launching the *Youth Solutions Report*" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark and the Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN))

Tuesday, 31 January 2017

13:00 to 14:30 .Conference Room E

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Pernille Borgbo, Permanent Mission of Denmark (e-mail perbor@um.dk; tel. 1 (212) 705-4943).

Launch of the report of the International Monetary Fund entitled *Macroeconomic Developments and Prospects in Low-Income Developing Countries – 2016* (organized by the International Monetary Fund (IMF))

Tuesday, 31 January 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 7

All are invited. For more information, please contact Ms. Erica Carroll, IMF (e-mail ecarroll@imf.org; tel. 1 (202) 294-3899).

Event entitled "Media and Information Literacy: Educational Strategies for the Prevention of Violent Extremism" (co-organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC) and United Nations Academic Impact (UNAI))

Thursday, 9 February 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Jordi Torrent, UNAOC (e-mail jordit@unops.org; tel. 1 (929) 274-6216).

Announcements

Invitation to participate in the Twelfth St. Jerome Translation Contest

All United Nations delegates and staff members are invited to take part in the Twelfth Annual St. Jerome Translation Contest, organized by the Translation Services, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), and launched last September 2016. The deadline for submission of test pieces is *Tuesday, 31 January 2017*. For more information, please *click here*; or visit the Contest website by *clicking here*.

Highlights of Security Council Practice

The Highlights of Security Council Practice provides an annual review of Security Council activities since 2011. This publication contains statistical information on the evolving practice of the Security Council relating to meetings, missions, agenda, decisions and voting patterns, as well as on its subsidiary bodies.

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For more information about the 2016 Highlights of Security Council Practice, please contact Mr. Xu Zheng (tel. 1 (917) 367-6900), Security Council Practices and Charter Research Branch, Security Council Affairs Division, Department of Political Affairs.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

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International Law Seminar for African Universities: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (19 to 30 June 2017): Urgent appeal for voluntary contributions and call for applications

The African Institute of International Law is planning to conduct the second International Law Seminar for African Universities at the Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa (Ethiopia) from 19 to 30 June 2017, to promote capacity building in international law education for the benefit of the faculty members of academic institutions and government training centres throughout the region.

The African Institute of International Law will conduct the seminar in cooperation with the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to General Assembly resolution 71/139 (A/RES/71/139).

The curriculum for this seminar will include: International Law (Ms. Boisson de Chazournes), International Trade Law and Environmental Law (Mr. Mbengue), African Union Law and Institutions (Judge Kioko), International and African Human Rights

Law (Mr. Okafor), Law of the Sea (Ms. Oral); as well as International Humanitarian Law and International Criminal Law (Judge Advocate General Riordan).

The seminar is subject to funding by *voluntary contributions*. Voluntary contributions are *urgently needed* to ensure the continuation of this essential capacity building activity to promote international law education in Africa.

For further information, please contact the African Institute of International Law (e-mail info@aiil-iadi.org), or the Secretary of the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance, Ms. Virginia Morris (e-mail morrisv@un.org). Application forms are available on the AIIL website (*click here*).

Press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available on the General Assembly website (*click here*).

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

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The *Repertoire* is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law and international relations, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations in following the evolving practice of the Council and gaining a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest printed volume (Seventeenth Supplement), covering the years 2010 to 2011, is now available.

For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288). The Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) and Part I of the Nineteenth Supplement (2014-2015) are available in their advance versions on the *Repertoire section* of the website of the Security Council.

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

The report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been issued in document A/70/723, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's report, contained in document A/70/824.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Friday, 20 January 2017

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Forum on Forests

Working Group

[archived video]

10th meeting

Recommendations of the Working Group to the special session of the United Nations Forum on Forests [item 3]

The Co-Chair of the Forum (Netherlands) made a statement.

Fifth reading of the draft United Nations Strategic Plan for Forests (continued)

Second reading of the draft Quadrennial Programme of Work (continued)

The Forum continued its consideration of the agenda item and heard statements by the representatives of Brazil, Switzerland, Nigeria, the Russian Federation, Ukraine, the United States, Canada, China, Australia, Norway and Chile; as well as by the observer of the European Union.

Adoption of the recommendations of the Working Group

A statement was made by the Co-Chair (Netherlands).

The Working Group adopted the draft recommendations, as contained in an informal paper, in English only, for transmittal to the special session of the Forum.

The Working Group thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 3.

Adoption of the report of the Working Group [item 4]

The Working Group adopted the draft report contained in document E/CN.18/WG/2017/L.1 and entrusted the Co-Chairs with its finalization, in collaboration with the United Nations Forum for Forests Secretariat, incorporating the proceedings of the meeting.

Conclusion of the work of the Working Group

Statements were made by the Co-Chairs (Netherlands and Islamic Republic of Iran).

A statement was made by the Secretary.

The Co-Chair (Netherlands) declared closed the work of the Working Group of the United Nations Forum on Forests.

Special session

1st meeting

Opening of the session

The Chair *pro tempore*, the Director of the United Nations Forum on Forests Secretariat, opened the special session.

Election of officers [item 1]

The Forum began its consideration of the item and elected, by acclamation, the Chair of the twelfth session of the Forum, Mr. Peter Besseau (Canada), and the other members of the Bureau of the twelfth session, as the officers of the special session.

The Chair (Canada) made opening remarks.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [item 2]

The Forum began its consideration of the item and adopted the provisional agenda for the special session as contained in document E/CN.18/SS/2017/1, and approved its provisional organization of work, as circulated in an informal paper.

Report of the Working Group of the United Nations Forum on Forests [item 3]

The Forum began its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution E/CN.18/SS/2017/L.2

The Secretary of the Forum orally corrected the draft resolution and made a statement.

The Forum adopted the draft resolution, as orally corrected.

A statement was made by the representative of the United States.

Adoption of the report of the Forum on its special session [item 4]

The Forum began its consideration of the item.

Action on the draft report contained in document E/CN.18/SS/2017/L.1

The Forum adopted the draft report and entrusted the Secretary of the Forum to finalize it to include the proceedings and the recommendations of the special session for submission to the Economic and Social Council.

Conclusion of the special session

Closing remarks were made by the Director of the United Nations Forum on Forests Secretariat.

The Chair (Canada) made a statement and concluded the special session of the United Nations Forum on Forests.

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *January 2017* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States

Burundi

His Excellency Albert Shingiro

Asia-Pacific States
Lebanon
His Excellency Nawaf Salam

Eastern European States
Lithuania
Her Excellency Raimonda Murmokaitė

Latin American and Caribbean States
Cuba
Her Excellency Ana Silvia Rodríguez Abascal
Chargée d'Affaires

Western European and other States
Switzerland
His Excellency Jürg Lauber

General Assembly
Seventy-first session

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The agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/71/251 and A/71/251/Add.1, and the allocation of agenda items for the session is contained in document A/71/252 and A/71/252/Add.1.

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/71/100 and the annotated draft agenda of the seventy-first session has been issued as document A/71/100/Add.1.

The following items on the agenda remain open for consideration during the seventy-first session of the General Assembly: agenda items 9 to 15, 19, 19 (h), 20, 28 to 35, 37, 38, 40 to 46, 51, 61, 62, 62 (a) and (b), 65, 65 (a), 66, 68, 68 (b), 69, 69 (a) to (d), 73, 73 (a), 87, 110 to 112, 114, 114 (a), 115, 115 (b) (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), and (l), 116 to 125, 126, 126 (b), (c), (e) to (h), (j), (k), (m), (p), (q), (s), (t) and (z), and 127 to 164.

The schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the resumed part of its seventy-first session will be reflected in the online schedule of meetings, please *click here*.

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Security Council

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A/71/738–S/2016/1139	Item 108 — Measures to eliminate international terrorism — Letter dated 30 December 2016 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *10 pages*

A/71/748–S/2017/41 Item 31 — Prevention of armed conflict — Letter dated 19 December 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Armenia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *11 pages*

Disarmament Commission
Organizational session for 2017

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Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women
Sixty-sixth session

CEDAW/C/66/2 Item 6 of the provisional agenda — Implementation of articles 21 and 22 of the Convention — Reports by specialized agencies on the implementation of the Convention in areas falling within the scope of their activities — Report of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization [E (only)] — *15 pages*

Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

CEDAW/C/OMN/CO/1/Add.1 Concluding observations on the initial report of Oman — Information provided by Oman in follow-up to the concluding observations [A E F S (only)] — *7 pages*

Security Council

A/71/738–S/2016/1139 Letter dated 30 December 2016 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *10 pages*

S/2017/10/Add.2 Summary statement by the Secretary-General of matters of which the Security Council is seized and of the stage reached in their consideration [A C E F R S] — *1 page*

S/2017/36 Identical letters dated 12 January 2017 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *1 page*

S/2017/39 Letter dated 13 January 2017 from the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*

A/71/748–S/2017/41 Letter dated 19 December 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Armenia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *11 pages*

S/2017/45 Letter dated 16 January 2017 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *63 pages*

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S/Agenda/7867 Provisional agenda [A C E F R S] — *1 page*

S/Agenda/7868 Provisional agenda [A C E F R S] — *1 page*

S/PRST/2017/2 Statement by the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Population and Development
Fiftieth session

E/CN.9/2017/NGO/16 Item 3 of the provisional agenda — General Debate 3 (a): Actions for the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development at the global, regional and national levels — 3 (b) Special theme of the fiftieth session2 of the Commission based on the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and the key actions for its further implementation — Statement submitted by Alliance Defending Freedom and Mujer para la Mujer A.C., Observatorio Regional para la Mujer de América Latina y el Caribe AC, Red Mujeres, Desarrollo, Justicia y Paz AC, Vida y Familia de Guadalajara A.C., a non-governmental organization in special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council [E F S (only)] — *3 pages*

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Programme of meetings and agenda

Wednesday, 25 January 2017

Official meetings

Security Council

11:00 — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

Peace consolidation in West Africa

Other matters

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

High-level dialogue on "Building Sustainable Peace for all: Synergies between the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and Sustaining Peace" [webcast]

11:00 — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Plenary debate *(continued)*

Closing

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Committee on Relations with the Host Country

15:00 280th meeting (closed) Conference Room 12

1. Consideration of and recommendations on issues arising in connection with the implementation of the Agreement between the United Nations and the United States of America regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations
2. Question of privileges and immunities – Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations and other relevant instruments
3. Other matters

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

Executive meeting

2017 Working Group on Contingent-Owned Equipment

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 3

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Human Rights Council

Working Group on the issue of discrimination against women in law and in practice
Eighteenth session

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Eleventh session

Organizational Committee

10:00 to 13:00 1st meeting Conference Room 7

1. Adoption of the agenda (PBC/11/OC/1)
2. Draft report of the Peacebuilding Commission on its tenth session (PBC/10/OC/L.1)
3. Election of officers
4. Work plan of the Peacebuilding Commission
5. Other matters

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2127 (2013) concerning the Central African Republic

15:00 to 18:00 7th meeting (closed) Conference Room 7

1. Meeting with the Central African Republic and regional States: Cameroon, Chad, Congo, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Kenya, South Africa, South Sudan, Sudan and Uganda
2. Other matters

Other meetings

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International Expert Group Meeting on the theme "Implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: the role of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and other indigenous-specific mechanisms: article 42" (organized by the secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 11

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 11

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Mr. Elias Centellas, secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (e-mail centellas@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 363-6663).

Event entitled "Mental Health for All: Local Strategies" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Australia, Belgium, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Palau and Panama, the New York City Mayor's Office for International Affairs, the ThriveNYC and the World Health Organization (WHO))

11:30 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kenlie Lipiano, Permanent Mission of Palau (e-mail proffice@palauun.org; tel. 1 (212) 813-0310).

Briefing on "The Water-food Nexus: Tackling Water Scarcity in the Context of Sustainable Development" (organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO))

12:00 to 13:00 [webcast] Conference Room 8

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Anastasia Kefalidou, FAO Liaison Office in New York (e-mail kefalidoua@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0990); or *click here*.

Group of Least Developed Countries (at the ambassadorial level (with the Secretary-General))

17:45 to 18:45 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Thursday, 26 January 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 1

Informal briefing convened by the President of the General Assembly on sustainable development financing in action

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Tuesday, 31 January 2017

10:00 Conference Room 2

15:00 Conference Room 2

Informal consultation on the process concerning the ways to enable the participation of indigenous peoples representatives and institutions in meetings of relevant United Nations bodies on issues affecting them

Advisers of the consultation process would be available for bilateral meetings with Member States and indigenous peoples representatives on Monday, 30 January 2017 and Wednesday, 1 February 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00. Member States and indigenous peoples representatives wishing to schedule a bilateral meeting with the Advisors are requested to send an e-mail to helena.vuokko@formin.fi.

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 23 January 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly

Monday, 20 February 2017

10:00 1st meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

[Letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 19 January 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development

Preparatory meeting

Wednesday, 15, and Thursday, 16 February 2017

10:00 Conference Room 4

15:00 Conference Room 4

The President of the General Assembly, pursuant to operative paragraph 18 of General Assembly resolution 70/303, will convene a two-day preparatory meeting, to be chaired by the co-facilitators appointed to oversee the preparatory process and to conclude the intergovernmental consultations on a "Call for Action", His Excellency Álvaro Mendonça Moura, Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations, and His Excellency Burhan Gafoor, Permanent Representative of Singapore to the United Nations, with a view to considering the themes for the partnership dialogues of the Conference and elements for a "Call for Action".

As stipulated in Assembly resolution 70/303, the preparatory process shall be open to all States Members of the United Nations, members of the specialized agencies and parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. Other relevant stakeholders, including organizations and bodies of the United Nations, intergovernmental organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions, the scientific community, the private and philanthropic organizations, whose work is relevant to the Conference and accredited in accordance with the provisions of resolution 70/303, are invited to participate as observers. Associate members of the regional commissions are also invited to participate as observers. Additional information on registration and accreditation is available on the Conference website, please *click here*.

For additional information on the preparatory meeting please contact Ms. Ling Wang (e-mail wang24@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0727), Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 3 November 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Informal briefings

The Department of Field Support and the Department of Peacekeeping Operations will provide informal briefings (closed) to members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, as follows:

Tuesday, 31 January 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

Developing stronger field support arrangements; and Office of Strategic Peacekeeping Partnerships

Friday, 3 February 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

Protection issues

2017 substantive session
21 February to 17 March 2017

Tuesday, 21 February 2017

10:00 Opening meeting Conference Room 1

In accordance with General Assembly resolution A/51/136, "those Member States which become personnel contributors to United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chair of the Committee, become members at the following session of the Committee".

Member States wishing to submit such a request *should address the request in advance* of the session to *the secretariat* (e-mail del-vasto@un.org).

States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to this session of the Special Committee *should send a request to the secretariat* (e-mail del-vasto@un.org).

The *provisional agenda of the session* is contained in A/AC.121/2017/L.1 and the draft programme of work is contained in A/AC.121/2017/L.2 (to be issued).

The report of the Secretary-General on the Implementation of the recommendations of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations is contained in document A/71/587 and A/71/587/Add.1 and posted on the website of the Special Committee (www.c34.unlb.org/). Other documents of the session will also be posted on the website.

PaperSmart will be offered as an additional service for the 2017 substantive session of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations. The official documentation of the Special Committee will be available electronically via the PaperSmart portal by *clicking here* in all official languages.

The *list of speakers* for the general debate (21-22 February) *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed in the list should contact the secretariat (Mr. Tomas Casas (e-mail casast@un.org)).

In light of the limited time available, in accordance with past practice, delegations are encouraged to limit their statements to *10 minutes* when speaking in their national capacity and to *20 minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group of countries.

Delegates are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart4@un.org, *at least two hours in advance*, of their designated speaking slot and bring only 30 copies of their statements for technical services. The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the Portal.

Background information on the Special Committee is available and accessible to Committee members and observers by *clicking here*.

For inquiries regarding user names and passwords or inclusion in the Committee mailing list, kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org).

Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

Informal meeting

Thursday, 2 February 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 6

Informal meeting on the proposal of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries entitled "Proposal of the Non-Aligned Movement on the pacific settlement of disputes and its impact on the maintenance of peace" (A/70/33, annex I) and the proposal submitted by Ghana entitled "Working paper by Ghana on strengthening the relationship and cooperation between the United Nations and regional arrangements or agencies in the peaceful settlement of disputes" (A/71/33, annex), convened in accordance with General Assembly resolution 71/146 of 13 December 2016

2017 session
21 February to 1 March 2017

Tuesday, 21 February 2017

10:00 284th meeting Conference Room 3

The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document A/AC.182/L.145, and is available on the website of the Special Committee (*click here*). Other relevant documents for the session will also be posted on the website.

The list of speakers for the general debate, to be held on Tuesday, 21 February 2017, *is open*. Delegations are urged to contact the secretariat of the Special Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5331; fax 1 (212) 963-1963)) if they wish to be inscribed on the list.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 50/52 of 11 December 1995, the Special Committee is open to all States Members of the United Nations. Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org, Room DC2-0566; fax 1 (212) 963-1963).

Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

Organizational meeting

Thursday, 23 February 2017

10:00 Conference Room 2

Documents to be considered by the Special Committee at the meeting are contained in A/AC.109/2017/L.1, A/AC.109/2017/L.2 and A/AC.109/2017/L.3 (to be issued). Permanent missions are kindly requested to communicate the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Special Committee in 2017, to Ms. Karen Lock, Secretary of the Special Committee (e-mail lock@un.org; with copy to del-vasto@un.org and casast@un.org).

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board

Pre-session informal meeting

Thursday, 26 January 2017

15:00 to 18:00 *Conference Room 1*

In advance of the first regular session of 2017 of the Executive Board of UN-Women

The pre-session meeting will be combined with an informal briefing on corporate evaluation of UN-Women Regional Architecture.

First regular session

Tuesday, 14 February 2017 Conference Room 3

The annotated provisional agenda and work plan for the session are contained in document UNW/2017/L.1. Advance copies of documentation are available on the UN-Women Executive Board website. Executive Board members, observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail *their credentials* (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead) to Ms. Rocío Torres (e-mail rocio.torres@unwomen.org).

For requests to be on *the speakers' list* for agenda item 2 (evaluation), please send an e-mail to rocio.torres@unwomen.org, *as early as possible*, but no later than Friday, 3 February 2017. There will be no prepared speaker lists for the other agenda items.

The upcoming first regular session will be PaperSmart as per established practice. All official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal (*click here*) and will not be distributed by conference services during the session.

Member States may however make specific requests for hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org) at *least two hours in advance* of their speaking slot. The statements will be accessible electronically via the PaperSmart Portal at the time of delivery, and will be under embargo until then.

Delegations are kindly requested to provide 15 hard copies of official statements for interpretation and other services, and are encouraged to carry their laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices to be able to access the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal.

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Thursday, 26 January 2017

10:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The President of the Economic and Social Council (Zimbabwe) will convene a plenary meeting, in order to elect a Vice-President of the Council at its 2017 session. The Council will also take action on draft proposals relating to the theme of the integration segment (to be issued as document E/2017/L.11), as well as the change in the dates of the April

coordination and management meeting (to be issued as document E/2017/L.11) of the 2017 session of the Council.

Youth Forum

Monday, 30, and Tuesday, 31 January 2017 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Economic and Social Council will hold its sixth youth forum on the theme "The role of youth in poverty eradication and promoting prosperity in a changing world".

A ministerial roundtable on youth issues and youth engagement in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development will be held immediately following the opening segment.

In view of the interactive nature of the youth forum, there will be no pre-determined list of speakers and participants are requested to refrain from reading prepared statements. In order to provide for maximum participation, interventions will be limited to *three minutes* (*five minutes* for groups).

All are invited to attend. Due to limited seating, Member States that are not members of the Council, as well as the United Nations system and other organizations who wish to participate, should communicate the composition of their delegation to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o alejandrino@un.org, with a copy to simonp@un.org) *no later than noon on Friday, 27 January 2017*, in order to be provided a seat in the plenary room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Additional information on the youth forum, including the draft programme, general concept note and ministerial roundtable concept note, as well as logistical information for participation, is available on the website of the Council (*click here*) or please contact Mr. Paul Simon, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail simonp@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5027).

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2017 regular session

30 January to 8 February and 21 February 2017 Conference Room 1

The annotated provisional agenda has been issued as document E/C.2/2017/1. Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note verbal to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Alexander Lomaia (e-mail lomaia@un.org, with a copy to komatina@un.org; Room S-3057).

Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee (its procedures, forms and documentation) is available on the Website of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (please *click here*).

Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.

Commission for Social Development

Informal consultations

Thursday, 26 January 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room A

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution on disabilities, under item 3 (b) of the provisional agenda of the fifty-fifth session of the Commission, convened by the Chair

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Fifty-fifth session
1 to 10 February 2017

Wednesday, 1 February 2017

10:00 Opening meeting Conference Room 4

The provisional annotated agenda and the proposed organization of work are contained in document E/CN.5/2017/1/Rev.1. For further information on the fifty-fifth and previous sessions of the Commission, please *click here*.

For the *participation and seating arrangements*, members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Sangeeta Sharma, of the composition of their delegations (c/o Mr. Mahmoud Ablan (e-mail ablanm@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers (including Member States that are not members of the Commission) in Conference Room 4, only observers who will communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat, *by Friday, 27 January 2017*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis. Delegations should contact the secretariat regarding accessibility requirements, *as soon as possible* (e-mail doultonf@un.org).

General discussion under item 3 (a) of the provisional agenda (Priority theme: Strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all) will begin on Wednesday, 1 February 2017, following the opening of the session.

The general discussion under item 3 (b) (Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups) will begin on Friday, 3 February 2017, in the afternoon. For further details, please consult the proposed organization of work in Annex I to document E/CN.5/2017/1/Rev.1.

The *lists of speakers* are open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the lists should contact, *in writing*, Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that, according to past practice, statements made by individual Member States should not exceed *seven minutes*, statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*, and statements made by observers should not exceed *five minutes*.

Delegates are informed that *PaperSmart services* are offered as an additional service for the fifty-fifth session of the Commission.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement *at least one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.

The *statements* will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal at the time of delivery by delegations.

To consult comprehensive information on the *participation of non-governmental organizations* in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
First regular session

Tuesday, 7, to Thursday, 9 February 2017 Conference Room 3

The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work of the UNICEF Executive Board are contained in document E/ICEF/2017/1. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available by *clicking here*. Member States as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (1 (212) 326-7096); or e-mail them to harai@unicef.org, as early as possible, but *no later than Friday, 3 February 2017*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene. The time limit set for delivering statements during the general discussion is *five minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *three minutes* for individual delegations.

As per established practice, advance copies of all session documentation are available on the UNICEF Executive Board website (*click here*). The upcoming 2017 first regular session will be a PaperSmart session of the UNICEF Executive Board. This means that instead of distributing hardcopies in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the UNICEF Executive Board website (*click here*). UNICEF is fully committed to diversity and inclusion. To ensure that the Executive Board session is fully accessible, participants are kindly reminded of a few basic tenets that will enable all delegates to enjoy the full benefit of the deliberations. To the extent possible, speakers are encouraged to introduce themselves and to read out and/or verbally describe visual materials in slides, charts and graphs.

The United Nations provides a range of tools and services in support of persons with disabilities through its Accessibility Centre (located in the first basement level of the Conference Building); an Accessibility Service Kiosk (adjacent to the Information Desk at the Visitors' Entrance); and a Documents Assistance Centre (in the Delegates' Lounge). UNICEF would be happy to put delegates in touch with the Centre, or – with advance notice – they need to let UNICEF know what kind of services would be needed to procure on their behalf.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (Attn. Mr. Dillon Leano (e-mail dleano@unicef.org)). The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement *and* in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the 'In-session' webpage on the UNICEF Executive Board website. Delegations are kindly requested to bring 10 copies of their statements to the conference officers for interpretation. Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile

devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
First regular session 2017

Monday, 30 January, to Friday, 3 February 2017 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The provisional agenda, annotations and list of documents for the session are contained in document DP/2017/L1. Kindly note that documents for the UNDP and UNOPS segments of the session are posted on the UNDP Executive Board website (*click here*) and for the UNFPA segment on the UNFPA website (*click here*). Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead) to the Executive Board secretariat at eb.secretariat@undp.org, with copy to ferguson@unfpa.org, *by Friday, 27 January 2017*.

The first regular session 2017 will continue to use the electronic system to identify requests to take the floor. Delegations with a special interest on any of the UNDP and UNOPS agenda items are kindly requested to communicate their intention to intervene during such items to the Executive Board secretariat at eb.secretariat@undp.org. Interventions related to UNFPA items should be communicated to speakerslist@unfpa.org.

As per established practice, the first regular session 2017 will be *PaperSmart*. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart portal. The PaperSmart portal will provide access to the official documents in all official languages. Statements, background documents, informal documents and presentations will be available in the language of submission. The portal will be accessible via papersmart.un.org. Documents and statements will be available for viewing and downloading through laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices. Alternatively, Member States may request hard copies of documents using the print on demand icon located next to the document in the PaperSmart portal.

Member States may also request hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room. Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements or presentations by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org), *at least two hours in advance* of their speaking slot. The intended agenda item should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart portal upon delivery. Delegations are kindly requested *to provide 15 hard copies* of the official statements for the interpretation and other services.

United Nations Population Fund

Briefings

Wednesday, 1 February 2017

13:15 to 14:45 Conference Room 5

On the UNFPA Strategic Plan 2018-2021

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Friday, 3 February 2017

10:00 to 11:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

On UNFPA humanitarian response funding

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Briefing on the "Humanitarian Situation in Afghanistan" (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

Thursday, 26 January 2017

09:30 to 10:30 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact OCHA (Ms. Margarette Pradel (e-mail pradel@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2217); or Ms. Miriam Danar (e-mail danar@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2259)).

Workshop entitled "International Law: Challenges and Opportunities for the International Criminal Court" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden and the United Nations Institute of Training and Research (UNITAR))

Thursday, 26 January 2017

09:30 to 13:00 Conference Room D

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room D

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Mr. Pelayo Alvarez, UNITAR New York Office (e-mails pelayo.alvarez@unitar.org or nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Eastern European Group (monthly meeting) (at the expert level)

Thursday, 26 January 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room A

Briefing entitled "Educating against Extremism, Building a Better Future" (in observance of the International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the victims of the Holocaust (27 January)) (organized by the NGO Relations, Advocacy and Special Events Section and the Holocaust and the United Nations Outreach Programme, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information)

Thursday, 26 January 2017

11:00 to 12:30 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For more information, please contact Ms. Hawa Diallo, DPI/NGO Relations (e-mail diallo9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).

Special events on the occasion of the International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust (27 January) (organized by the Department of Public Information (DPI))

NGO briefing on "Holocaust Remembrance: Educating against Extremism, Building a Better Future"

Thursday, 26 January 2017

11:00 to 12:30 Conference Room 1

All are invited to attend. To register, please *click here*.

United Nations Holocaust Memorial Ceremony on the theme "Holocaust Remembrance: Educating for a Better Future"

Friday, 27 January 2017

11:00 to 12:45 General Assembly Hall

All are invited to attend. To register, please *click here*.

[To consult the complete list of special events on the occasion of the International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust, please *click here*.]

Briefing on "Future of financing for sustainable development" (organized by the Office of the President of the General Assembly and the World Bank Group)

Thursday, 26 January 2017

13:15 to 14:45 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Gustavo Bono, World Bank (e-mail gbono@worldbank.org).

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS) (plenary meeting)

Thursday, 26 January 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

Wednesday, 8 February 2017

15:00 to 16:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

Non-Aligned Movement (at the ambassadorial level) (monthly meeting)

Thursday, 26 January 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) (Committee of the Whole)

Monday, 30 January 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 5

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Multi-Stakeholder Forum "Women's Economic Empowerment in the Changing World of Work" (organized by the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Monday, 30 January 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Estefania Guallar, UN-Women (e-mail estefania.guallar@unwomen.org); or *click here*.

Briefing on "The Road Map to the United Nations Capital Development Fund Strategic Framework, 2018-2021" (organized by the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF))

Monday, 30 January 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kris Supangkat, UNCDF (e-mail krisanhty.supangkat@uncdf.org; tel. 1 (212) 906-6436).

Event on the theme "Achieving a Responsible and Sustainable Development: The Key Role of Francophone Youth" (co-organized by the International Organization of la Francophonie (IOF) and the Permanent Mission of Madagascar)

Monday, 30 January 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Hajer Tlijani, IOF (e-mail hajer.tlijani@francophonie.org; tel. 1 (212) 867-6771).

Interactive meeting on "Africa's Youth on the Rise! Harnessing Africa's Youth Dividend to Achieve Prosperity for All" (co-organized by the Economic and Social Council, the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa, the African Union, the Pan-African Youth Union, the United Nations Development Programme and the African Development Bank)

Tuesday, 31 January 2017

09:30 to 11:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Juliet Wasswa-Mugambwa, Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (e-mail wasswa-mugambwa@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9576); to register, please *click here*.

Event entitled "Youth Innovation to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): Launching the *Youth Solutions Report*" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark and the Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN))

Tuesday, 31 January 2017

13:00 to 14:30 .Conference Room E

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Pernille Borgbo, Permanent Mission of Denmark (e-mail perbor@um.dk; tel. 1 (212) 705-4943).

Launch of the report of the International Monetary Fund entitled *Macroeconomic Developments and Prospects in Low-Income Developing Countries – 2016* (organized by the International Monetary Fund (IMF))

Tuesday, 31 January 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 7

All are invited. For more information, please contact Ms. Erica Carroll, IMF (e-mail ecarroll@imf.org; tel. 1 (202) 294-3899).

Panel discussion on "A Roadmap to Achieve the Learning Generation" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Lebanon and Norway)

Tuesday, 31 January 2017

16:00 to 17:45 Conference Room 11

For further information, contact Ms. Emilie N. Everett, Permanent Mission of Norway (e-mail emilie.everett@mfa.no; tel. 1 (646) 430-7562).

Panel discussion on "Converging Security Threats: How Can the United Nations Better Respond to Terrorism and Violent Extremism and Other Related Non-state Security Threats?" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Bangladesh, Jordan and Norway)

Wednesday, 1 February 2017

11:30 to 13:00 Conference Room 11

For further information, contact Ms. Synne M. Berge, Permanent Mission of Norway (e-mail synne.marie.berge@mfa.no; tel. 1 (646) 430-7510).

Event entitled "Media and Information Literacy: Educational Strategies for the Prevention of Violent Extremism" (co-organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC) and United Nations Academic Impact (UNAI))

Thursday, 9 February 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Jordi Torrent, UNAOC (e-mail jordit@unops.org; tel. 1 (929) 274-6216).

Announcements

Invitation to participate in the Twelfth St. Jerome Translation Contest

All United Nations delegates and staff members are invited to take part in the Twelfth Annual St. Jerome Translation Contest, organized by the Translation Services, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), and launched last September 2016. The deadline for submission of test pieces is *Tuesday, 31 January 2017*. For more information, please *click here*; or visit the Contest website by *clicking here*.

Highlights of Security Council Practice

The Highlights of Security Council Practice provides an annual review of Security Council activities since 2011. This publication contains statistical information on the evolving practice of the Security Council relating to meetings, missions, agenda, decisions and voting patterns, as well as on its subsidiary bodies.

The 2016 Highlights of Security Council is now available online (*click here*). It is also available on the Security Council website (*click here*). The Highlights is produced by the Security Council Practices and Charter Research Branch in the Security Council Affairs Division of the Department of Political Affairs. The Branch is also responsible for the drafting of the *Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council, which provides comprehensive coverage of the Security Council's interpretation and application of the United Nations Charter and its own Provisional Rules of Procedure since 1946.

For more information about the 2016 Highlights of Security Council Practice, please contact Mr. Xu Zheng (tel. 1 (917) 367-6900), Security Council Practices and Charter Research Branch, Security Council Affairs Division, Department of Political Affairs.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training in English (unless otherwise indicated) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *January 2017*:

Finding Speeches (French)

Voting Information (French)

General Assembly Documentation

Treaty Research

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*). For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

International Law Seminar for African Universities: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (19 to 30 June 2017): Urgent appeal for voluntary contributions and call for applications

The African Institute of International Law is planning to conduct the second International Law Seminar for African Universities at the Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa (Ethiopia) from 19 to 30 June 2017, to promote capacity building in international law education for the benefit of the faculty members of academic institutions and government training centres throughout the region.

The African Institute of International Law will conduct the seminar in cooperation with the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to General Assembly resolution 71/139 (A/RES/71/139).

The curriculum for this seminar will include: International Law (Ms. Boisson de Chazournes), International Trade Law and Environmental Law (Mr. Mbengue), African Union Law and Institutions (Judge Kioko), International and African Human Rights Law (Mr. Okafor), Law of the Sea (Ms. Oral); as well as International Humanitarian Law and International Criminal Law (Judge Advocate General Riordan).

The seminar is subject to funding by *voluntary contributions*. Voluntary contributions are *urgently needed* to ensure the continuation of this essential capacity building activity to promote international law education in Africa.

For further information, please contact the African Institute of International Law (e-mail info@aiil-iadi.org), or the Secretary of the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance, Ms. Virginia Morris (e-mail morrisv@un.org). Application forms are available on the AIIL website (*click here*).

Press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available on the General Assembly website (*click here*).

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* provides comprehensive coverage of the Security Council's interpretation and application of the United Nations Charter and its own Provisional Rules of Procedure. It is prepared by the Security Council Affairs Division in the Department of Political Affairs.

The *Repertoire* is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law and international relations, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations in following the evolving practice of the Council and gaining a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest printed volume (Seventeenth Supplement), covering the years 2010 to 2011, is now available.

For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288). The Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) and Part I of the Nineteenth Supplement (2014-2015) are available in their advance versions on the *Repertoire section* of the website of the Security Council.

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

The report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been issued in document A/70/723, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's report, contained in document A/70/824.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. Montego Bay, 10 December 1982

Declaration under article 298: Kenya (24 January 2017)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *January 2017* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States
Burundi
His Excellency Albert Shingiro

Asia-Pacific States
Lebanon
His Excellency Nawaf Salam

Eastern European States
Lithuania
Her Excellency Raimonda Murmokaitė

Latin American and Caribbean States
Cuba
Her Excellency Ana Silvia Rodríguez Abascal
Chargée d'Affaires

Western European and other States
Switzerland
His Excellency Jürg Lauber

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Delegations wishing to be inscribed in the *list of speakers* of plenary meetings of the General Assembly are kindly requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal available at http://delegate.un.int. The e-Speakers link to inscribe for the plenary meetings *is open*. An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of request for inscription. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact the DGACM help-desk (help-desk@un.org). For any other inquiries regarding the list of speakers, please contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (Mr. Carlos Galindo (e-mail galindo@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063), with copy to e-mail gaspeakerslist@un.org).

For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

The submission and co-sponsorship of all draft resolutions and decisions in the General Assembly plenary now takes place via the General Assembly Plenary e-Sponsorship application in the e-deleGATE portal at http://delegate.un.int. Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly. Permanent Missions to the United Nations are invited to inform the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mailgaplenarye-sponsorship@un.org) of those accredited delegates who should be granted access to General Assembly Plenary e-Sponsorship, using a registration form that was provided to the Missions and is available on the General Assembly website (*click here*). Based on the information received, delegates will be

issued a username and a password to access the Portal. For questions on the submission of a draft resolution or a draft decision for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3872 (Room S-3044).

The agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/71/251 and A/71/251/Add.1, and the allocation of agenda items for the session is contained in document A/71/252 and A/71/252/Add.1.

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/71/100 and the annotated draft agenda of the seventy-first session has been issued as document A/71/100/Add.1.

The following items on the agenda remain open for consideration during the seventy-first session of the General Assembly: agenda items 9 to 15, 19, 19 (h), 20, 28 to 35, 37, 38, 40 to 46, 51, 61, 62, 62 (a) and (b), 65, 65 (a), 66, 68, 68 (b), 69, 69 (a) to (d), 73, 73 (a), 87, 110 to 112, 114, 114 (a), 115, 115 (b) (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), and (l), 116 to 125, 126, 126 (b), (c), (e) to (h), (j), (k), (m), (p), (q), (s), (t) and (z), and 127 to 164.

The schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the resumed part of its seventy-first session will be reflected in the online schedule of meetings, please *click here*.

There is no pre-determined calendar of meetings for the resumed part of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly.

Delegations requesting *issuance of communications* addressed to the Secretary-General as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations.

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Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases, social media and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

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For live and on-demand webcast coverage on the United Nations Web TV website, please contact the Department of Public Information (Mr. Andreas Damianou (e-mail damianou@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6733) and Ms. Valérie Justin (e-mail justin@un.org); [webcast] How to book a webcast (*click here*);

For special events services, please contact the Special Events Unit/DM (e-mail specialevents@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4245);

For audiovisual services, please contact BCSS/DM (request-for-services@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9485);

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Documentation Services for Delegates provided by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM)

Useful *links* to United Nations documentation resources can be found at www.un.org/documents. The Official Document System (ODS) features an enhanced search page (documents.un.org) which, using keywords, facilitates considerably the search and retrieval of documents.

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Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Council (e-mailed dpa-scsb3@un.org; Room S-2472; fax 1 (917) 367-0406). For queries, please call 1 (212) 963-5258.

The *website of the Presidency* of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

Information about previously *unscheduled meetings* and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by clicking on "Programme of work" on the website of the Security Council at www.un.org/en/sc; or by calling 1 (212) 963-5258.

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Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 24 January 2017

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations http://documents.un.org in the electronic version of the present Journal.

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Security Council

S/2017/50 Letter dated 17 January 2017 from the Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*

S/2017/51 Letter dated 18 January 2017 from the Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

Economic and Social Council

Statistical Commission
Forty-eighth session

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E/CN.3/2017/30 Item 4 (k) of the provisional agenda — Items for information: statistical capacity-building — Statistical capacity-building — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *17 pages*

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Fiftieth session

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Official meetings

Security Council

10:00 — 7869th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Cyprus

   Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations operation in Cyprus (S/2017/20)

Morning (following the adjournment of the 7869th meeting) — 7870th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East

   Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Security Council resolutions 2139 (2014), 2165 (2014), 2191 (2014), 2258 (2015) and 2332 (2016) (S/2017/58)

Morning (following the adjournment of the 7870th meeting) — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

Middle East (Syria) (S/2017/58)

Other matters

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15:00	7871st meeting [webcast]	Security Council Chamber
	1. Adoption of the agenda	
	2. The situation in the Middle East	
Afternoon (following the adjournment of the 7871st meeting)	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room
	Middle East (Yemen)	
	Other matters	

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

13:15 to 14:30	[webcast]	Conference Room 1
	Informal briefing convened by the President of the General Assembly and the World Bank Group on "Future of financing for sustainable development"	
	All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Gustavo Bono, World Bank (e-mail gbono@worldbank.org).	

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	1. Procurement activities in the United Nations Secretariat	
	2. Executive meeting	

2017 Working Group on Contingent-Owned Equipment

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 3

Human Rights Council

Working Group on the issue of discrimination against women in law and in practice

Eighteenth session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 9
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 9

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board

Pre-session informal meeting

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 1

In advance of the first regular session of 2017 of the Executive Board of UN-Women

The pre-session meeting will be combined with an informal briefing on corporate evaluation of UN-Women Regional Architecture.

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

15:00 to 18:00 315th meeting (closed) Conference Room 7

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

10:00 to 11:00 9th meeting [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

1. Election of the Bureau [item 1]

   Election of a Vice-President

2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [item 2]

   Action on draft decisions E/2017/L.11 and E/2017/L.12

Commission for Social Development

Informal consultations

15:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room A

On the draft resolution on disabilities, under item 3 (b) of the provisional agenda of the fifty-fifth session of the Commission, convened by the Chair

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/71/251 and A/71/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Small and Medium-sized Enterprises Day" (under agenda item 13) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Argentina)

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room C

Other meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations. The meetings under this header are open unless otherwise indicated.

Briefing on "The Humanitarian Situation in Afghanistan" (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

09:30 to 10:30 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact OCHA (Ms. Margarette Pradel (e-mail pradel@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2217); or Ms. Miriam Danar (e-mail danar@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2259)).

Workshop entitled "International Law: Challenges and Opportunities for the International Criminal Court" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden and the United Nations Institute of Training and Research (UNITAR))

09:30 to 13:00 Conference Room D

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room D

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Mr. Pelayo Alvarez, UNITAR New York Office (e-mails pelayo.alvarez@unitar.org or nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Eastern European Group (monthly meeting) (at the expert level)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room A

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room C

Group of 77 (on the Commission for Social Development)

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room C

International Expert Group Meeting on the theme "Implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: the role of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and other indigenous-specific mechanisms: article 42" (organized by the secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 11

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 11

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Mr. Elias Centellas, secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (e-mail centellas@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 363-6663).

Briefing entitled "Holocaust Remembrance: Educating against Extremism, Building a Better Future" (in observance of the International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the victims of the Holocaust (27 January)) (organized by the NGO Relations, Advocacy and Special Events Section and the Holocaust and the United Nations Outreach Programme, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information (DPI))

11:00 to 12:30 [webcast] Conference Room 1

All are invited. For more information, please contact Ms. Hawa Diallo, DPI/NGO Relations (e-mail diallo9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS) (plenary meeting)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

Non-Aligned Movement (at the ambassadorial level) (monthly meeting)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Tuesday, 31 January 2017

09:00 to 10:00 Conference Room 6

Event co-organized by the President of the General Assembly and Every Woman Every Child, entitled "Youth Marketplace on Social Innovations for Health and Wellbeing: Implementing the Sustainable Development Goals"

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 18 January 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Tuesday, 31 January 2017

10:00 Conference Room 2

15:00 Conference Room 2

Informal consultation on the process concerning the ways to enable the participation of indigenous peoples' representatives and institutions in meetings of relevant United Nations bodies on issues affecting them

Advisers of the consultation process would be available for bilateral meetings with Member States and indigenous peoples' representatives on Monday, 30 January 2017 and Wednesday, 1 February 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00. Member States and indigenous peoples' representatives wishing to schedule a bilateral meeting with the Advisors are requested to send an e-mail to helena.vuokko@formin.fi.

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 23 January 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Wednesday, 1 February 2017

11:00 to 13:30 Conference Room 3

Informal briefing convened by the co-facilitators on the preparations for the two-day preparatory meeting for the United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources, to be held on 15 and 16 February 2017

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 24 January 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly

Monday, 20 February 2017

10:00 1st meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

[Letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 19 January 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development
Preparatory meeting

Wednesday, 15, and Thursday, 16 February 2017

10:00 Conference Room 4

15:00 Conference Room 4

The President of the General Assembly, pursuant to operative paragraph 18 of General Assembly resolution 70/303, will convene a two-day preparatory meeting, to be chaired by the co-facilitators appointed to oversee the preparatory process and to conclude the intergovernmental consultations on a "Call for Action", His Excellency Álvaro Mendonça Moura, Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations, and His Excellency Burhan Gafoor, Permanent Representative of Singapore to the United

Nations, with a view to considering the themes for the partnership dialogues of the Conference and elements for a "Call for Action".

As stipulated in Assembly resolution 70/303, the preparatory process shall be open to all States Members of the United Nations, members of the specialized agencies and parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. Other relevant stakeholders, including organizations and bodies of the United Nations, intergovernmental organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions, the scientific community, the private and philanthropic organizations, whose work is relevant to the Conference and accredited in accordance with the provisions of resolution 70/303, are invited to participate as observers. Associate members of the regional commissions are also invited to participate as observers. Additional information on registration and accreditation is available on the Conference website, please *click here*.

For additional information on the preparatory meeting please contact Ms. Ling Wang (e-mail wang24@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0727), Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 3 November 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Informal briefings

The Department of Field Support and the Department of Peacekeeping Operations will provide informal briefings (closed) to members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, as follows:

Tuesday, 31 January 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

Developing stronger field support arrangements; and Office of Strategic Peacekeeping Partnerships

Friday, 3 February 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

Protection issues

2017 substantive session
21 February to 17 March 2017

Tuesday, 21 February 2017

10:00 Opening meeting Conference Room 1

In accordance with General Assembly resolution A/51/136, "those Member States which become personnel contributors to United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chair of the Committee, become members at the following session of the Committee".

Member States wishing to submit such a request *should address the request in advance* of the session to *the secretariat* (e-mail del-vasto@un.org).

States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to this session of the Special Committee *should send a request to the secretariat* (e-mail del-vasto@un.org).

The *provisional agenda of the session* is contained in A/AC.121/2017/L.1 and the draft programme of work is contained in A/AC.121/2017/L.2 (to be issued).

The report of the Secretary-General on the Implementation of the recommendations of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations is contained in document A/71/587 and A/71/587/Add.1 and posted on the website of the Special Committee (www.c34.unlb.org/). Other documents of the session will also be posted on the website.

PaperSmart will be offered as an additional service for the 2017 substantive session of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations. The official documentation of the Special Committee will be available electronically via the PaperSmart portal by *clicking here* in all official languages.

The *list of speakers* for the general debate (21-22 February) *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed in the list should contact the secretariat (Mr. Tomas Casas (e-mail casast@un.org)).

In light of the limited time available, in accordance with past practice, delegations are encouraged to limit their statements to *10 minutes* when speaking in their national capacity and to *20 minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group of countries.

Delegates are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart4@un.org, *at least two hours in advance*, of their designated speaking slot and bring only 30 copies of their statements for technical services. The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the Portal.

Background information on the Special Committee is available and accessible to Committee members and observers by *clicking here*.

For inquiries regarding user names and passwords or inclusion in the Committee mailing list, kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org).

Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

Informal meeting

Thursday, 2 February 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 6

Informal meeting on the proposal of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries entitled "Proposal of the Non-Aligned Movement on the pacific settlement of disputes and its impact on the maintenance of peace" (A/70/33, annex I) and the proposal submitted by Ghana entitled "Working paper by Ghana on strengthening the relationship and cooperation between the United Nations and regional arrangements or agencies in the

peaceful settlement of disputes" (A/71/33, annex), convened in accordance with General Assembly resolution 71/146 of 13 December 2016

2017 session
21 February to 1 March 2017

Tuesday, 21 February 2017

10:00 284th meeting Conference Room 3

The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document A/AC.182/L.145, and is available on the website of the Special Committee (*click here*). Other relevant documents for the session will also be posted on the website.

The list of speakers for the general debate, to be held on Tuesday, 21 February 2017, *is open*. Delegations are urged to contact the secretariat of the Special Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5331; fax 1 (212) 963-1963)) if they wish to be inscribed on the list.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 50/52 of 11 December 1995, the Special Committee is open to all States Members of the United Nations. Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org, Room DC2-0566; fax 1 (212) 963-1963).

Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples
Organizational meeting

Thursday, 23 February 2017

10:00 Conference Room 2

Documents to be considered by the Special Committee at the meeting are contained in A/AC.109/2017/L.1, A/AC.109/2017/L.2 and A/AC.109/2017/L.3 (to be issued). Permanent missions are kindly requested to communicate the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Special Committee in 2017, to Ms. Karen Lock, Secretary of the Special Committee (e-mail lock@un.org; with copy to del-vasto@un.org and casast@un.org).

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board
First regular session

Tuesday, 14 February 2017 Conference Room 3

The annotated provisional agenda and work plan for the session are contained in document UNW/2017/L.1. Advance copies of documentation are available on the UN-Women Executive Board website. Executive Board members, observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail *their credentials* (names and titles of each

delegation member, on official letterhead) to Ms. Rocio Torres (e-mail rocio.torres@unwomen.org).

For requests to be on *the speakers' list* for agenda item 2 (evaluation), please send an e-mail to rocio.torres@unwomen.org, *as early as possible*, but no later than Friday, 3 February 2017. There will be no prepared speaker lists for the other agenda items.

The upcoming first regular session will be PaperSmart as per established practice. All official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal (*click here*) and will not be distributed by conference services during the session.

Member States may however make specific requests for hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org) at *least two hours in advance* of their speaking slot. The statements will be accessible electronically via the PaperSmart Portal at the time of delivery, and will be under embargo until then.

Delegations are kindly requested to provide 15 hard copies of official statements for interpretation and other services, and are encouraged to carry their laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices to be able to access the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal.

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Youth Forum

Monday, 30, and Tuesday, 31 January 2017 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Economic and Social Council will hold its sixth Youth Forum on the theme "The role of youth in poverty eradication and promoting prosperity in a changing world".

Interactive roundtables with the participation of ministers and other high-level speakers are scheduled on both days of the forum.

In view of the interactive nature of the Youth Forum, there will be no pre-determined list of speakers and participants are requested to refrain from reading prepared statements. In order to provide for maximum participation, interventions will be limited to
four minutes.

All are invited to attend. Due to limited seating, Member States that are not members of the Economic and Social Council, as well as the United Nations system and other organizations who wish to participate, should communicate the composition of their delegation to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o alejandrino@un.org, with a copy to simonp@un.org) *no later than noon on Friday, 27 January 2017*, in order to be provided a seat in the plenary room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Additional information on the Youth Forum, including the draft programme, general concept note and ministerial roundtable concept notes, as well as logistical information for participation, is available on the website of the Council (*click here*) or please contact Mr. Paul Simon, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail simonp@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5027), for further information.

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2017 regular session

30 January to 8 February and 21 February 2017 Conference Room 1

The annotated provisional agenda has been issued as document E/C.2/2017/1. Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note verbal to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Alexander Lomaia (e-mail lomaia@un.org, with a copy to komatina@un.org; Room S-3057).

Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee (its procedures, forms and documentation) is available on the Website of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (please *click here*).

Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.

Commission for Social Development
Fifty-fifth session
1 to 10 February 2017

Wednesday, 1 February 2017

10:00 Opening meeting Conference Room 4

The provisional annotated agenda and the proposed organization of work are contained in document E/CN.5/2017/1/Rev.1. For further information on the fifty-fifth and previous sessions of the Commission, please *click here*.

For the *participation and seating arrangements*, members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Sangeeta Sharma, of the composition of their delegations (c/o Mr. Mahmoud Ablan (e-mail ablanm@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers (including Member States that are not members of the Commission) in Conference Room 4, only observers who will communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat, *by Friday, 27 January 2017*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis. Delegations should contact the secretariat regarding accessibility requirements, *as soon as possible* (e-mail doultonf@un.org).

General discussion under item 3 (a) of the provisional agenda (Priority theme: Strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all) will begin on Wednesday, 1 February 2017, following the opening of the session.

The general discussion under item 3 (b) (Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups) will begin on Friday, 3 February 2017, in the afternoon. For further details, please consult the proposed organization of work in Annex I to document E/CN.5/2017/1/Rev.1.

The *lists of speakers* are open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the lists should contact, *in writing*, Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org), with a copy to Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that, according to past practice, statements made by individual Member States should not exceed *seven minutes*, statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*, and statements made by observers should not exceed *five minutes*.

Delegates are informed that *PaperSmart services* are offered as an additional service for the fifty-fifth session of the Commission.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement *at least one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.

The *statements* will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal at the time of delivery by delegations.

To consult comprehensive information on the *participation of non-governmental organizations* in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.

Information regarding side events during the fifty-fifth session of the Commission, including the online application form, is accessible by *clicking here*.

Informal consultations

Wednesday, 1 February 2017

13:15 to 14:45 Conference Room B

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Policies and programmes involving youth", under item 3 (b) (iii) of the provisional agenda of the fifty-fifth session of the Commission, convened by the Permanent Missions of Portugal, the Republic of Moldova and Senegal

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

First regular session

Tuesday, 7, to Thursday, 9 February 2017 Conference Room 3

The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work of the UNICEF Executive Board are contained in document E/ICEF/2017/1. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available by *clicking here*. Member States as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (1 (212) 326-7096); or e-mail them to harai@unicef.org, as early as possible, but *no later than Friday, 3 February 2017*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene. The time limit set for delivering statements during the general discussion is *five minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *three minutes* for individual delegations.

As per established practice, advance copies of all session documentation are available on the UNICEF Executive Board website (*click here*). The upcoming 2017 first regular session will be a PaperSmart session of the UNICEF Executive Board. This means that

instead of distributing hard copies in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the UNICEF Executive Board website (*click here*). UNICEF is fully committed to diversity and inclusion. To ensure that the Executive Board session is fully accessible, participants are kindly reminded of a few basic tenets that will enable all delegates to enjoy the full benefit of the deliberations. To the extent possible, speakers are encouraged to introduce themselves and to read out and/or verbally describe visual materials in slides, charts and graphs.

The United Nations provides a range of tools and services in support of persons with disabilities through its Accessibility Centre (located in the first basement level of the Conference Building), an Accessibility Service Kiosk (adjacent to the Information Desk at the Visitors' Entrance), and a Documents Assistance Centre (in the Delegates' Lounge). UNICEF would be happy to put delegates in touch with the Centre, or – with advance notice – they need to let UNICEF know what kind of services would be needed to procure on their behalf.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (Attn. Mr. Dillon Leano (e-mail dleano@unicef.org)). The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement *and* in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the "In-session" webpage on the UNICEF Executive Board website. Delegations are kindly requested to bring 10 copies of their statements to the conference officers for interpretation. Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
First regular session 2017

Monday, 30 January, to Friday, 3 February 2017 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The provisional agenda, annotations and list of documents for the session are contained in document DP/2017/L1. Kindly note that documents for the UNDP and UNOPS segments of the session are posted on the UNDP Executive Board website (*click here*) and for the UNFPA segment on the UNFPA website (*click here*). Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead) to the Executive Board secretariat at eb.secretariat@undp.org, with copy to ferguson@unfpa.org, *by Friday, 27 January 2017*.

The first regular session 2017 will continue to use the electronic system to identify requests to take the floor. Delegations with a special interest on any of the UNDP and UNOPS agenda items are kindly requested to communicate their intention to intervene during such items to the Executive Board secretariat at eb.secretariat@undp.org. Interventions related to UNFPA items should be communicated to speakerslist@unfpa.org.

As per established practice, the first regular session 2017 will be *PaperSmart*. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart portal. The PaperSmart portal will provide access to the official documents in all official languages. Statements, background documents, informal

documents and presentations will be available in the language of submission. The portal will be accessible via papersmart.un.org. Documents and statements will be available for viewing and downloading through laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices. Alternatively, Member States may request hard copies of documents using the print on demand icon located next to the document in the PaperSmart portal.

Member States may also request hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room. Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements or presentations by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org), *at least two hours in advance* of their speaking slot. The intended agenda item should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart portal upon delivery. Delegations are kindly requested *to provide 15 hard copies* of the official statements for the interpretation and other services.

United Nations Population Fund

Briefings

Wednesday, 1 February 2017

13:15 to 14:45 Conference Room 5

On the UNFPA Strategic Plan 2018-2021

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Friday, 3 February 2017

10:00 to 11:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

On UNFPA humanitarian response funding

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming other meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations. The meetings under this header are open unless otherwise indicated.

United Nations Holocaust Memorial Ceremony on the theme "Holocaust Remembrance: Educating for a Better Future" on the occasion of the International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust (organized by the Department of Public Information (DPI))

Friday, 27 January 2017

11:00 to 12:45 General Assembly Hall

All are invited to attend. To register, please *click here*.

[To consult the complete list of special events on the occasion of the International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust, please *click here*.]

Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) (Committee of the Whole)

Monday, 30 January 2017

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Multi-Stakeholder Forum "Women's Economic Empowerment in the Changing World of Work" (organized by the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Monday, 30 January 2017

10:00 to 13:00	Conference Room 3
15:00 to 18:00	Conference Room 3

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Estefania Guallar, UN-Women (e-mail estefania.guallar@unwomen.org); or *click here*.

Briefing on "The Road Map to the United Nations Capital Development Fund Strategic Framework, 2018-2021" (organized by the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF))

Monday, 30 January 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kris Supangkat, UNCDF (e-mail krisanhty.supangkat@uncdf.org; tel. 1 (212) 906-6436).

Event on the theme "Achieving a Responsible and Sustainable Development: The Key Role of Francophone Youth" (co-organized by the International Organization of la Francophonie (IOF) and the Permanent Mission of Madagascar)

Monday, 30 January 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Hajer Tlijani, IOF (e-mail hajer.tlijani@francophonie.org; tel. 1 (212) 867-6771).

Interactive meeting on "Africa's Youth on the Rise! Harnessing Africa's Youth Dividend to Achieve Prosperity for All" (co-organized by the Economic and Social Council, the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa, the African Union, the Pan-African Youth Union, the United Nations Development Programme and the African Development Bank)

Tuesday, 31 January 2017

09:30 to 11:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Juliet Wasswa-Mugambwa, Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (e-mail wasswa-mugambwa@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9576); to register, please *click here*.

Event entitled "Youth Innovation to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): Launching the *Youth Solutions Report*" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Denmark and the Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN))

Tuesday, 31 January 2017

13:00 to 14:30 Conference Room E

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Pernille Borgbo, Permanent Mission of Denmark (e-mail perbor@um.dk; tel. 1 (212) 705-4943).

Launch of the report of the International Monetary Fund entitled *Macroeconomic Developments and Prospects in Low-Income Developing Countries – 2016* (organized by the International Monetary Fund (IMF))

Tuesday, 31 January 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 7

All are invited. For more information, please contact Ms. Erica Carroll, IMF (e-mail ecarroll@imf.org; tel. 1 (202) 294-3899).

International Criminal Court: New York Working Group of the Assembly of States Parties

Tuesday, 31 January 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Panel discussion on "A Roadmap to Achieve the Learning Generation" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Lebanon and Norway)

Tuesday, 31 January 2017

16:00 to 17:45 Conference Room 11

For further information, contact Ms. Emilie N. Everett, Permanent Mission of Norway (e-mail emilie.everett@mfa.no; tel. 1 (646) 430-7562).

Panel discussion on "Converging Security Threats: How Can the United Nations Better Respond to Terrorism and Violent Extremism and Other Related Non-state Security Threats?" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Bangladesh, Jordan and Norway)

Wednesday, 1 February 2017

11:30 to 13:00 Conference Room 11

For further information, contact Ms. Synne M. Berge, Permanent Mission of Norway (e-mail synne.marie.berge@mfa.no; tel. 1 (646) 430-7510).

Briefing on "The Road Map to the United Nations Volunteers Programme (UNV) Strategic Framework, 2018-2021" (organized by the United Nations Volunteers Programme (UNV))

Thursday, 2 February 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Ame Esangbedo, UNV (e-mail ame.esangbedo@unv.org; tel. 1 (212) 906-3632).

Informal dialogue on "The Progress of the Inter-Agency Task Force on Financing for Development (IATF on FFD) in Preparing its 2017 Report and Online Annex" (organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Monday, 6 February 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Oliver Schwank, Financing for Development Office (e-mail schwank@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4970); *click here*.

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS) (plenary meeting)

Wednesday, 8 February 2017

15:00 to 16:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

Event entitled "Media and Information Literacy: Educational Strategies for the Prevention of Violent Extremism" (co-organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC) and United Nations Academic Impact (UNAI))

Thursday, 9 February 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Jordi Torrent, UNAOC (e-mail jordit@unops.org; tel. 1 (929) 274-6216).

Announcements

Invitation to participate in the Twelfth St. Jerome Translation Contest

All United Nations delegates and staff members are invited to take part in the Twelfth Annual St. Jerome Translation Contest, organized by the Translation Services, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), and launched last September 2016. The deadline for submission of test pieces is *Tuesday, 31 January 2017*. For more information, please *click here*; or visit the Contest website by *clicking here*.

Highlights of Security Council Practice

The Highlights of Security Council Practice provides an annual review of Security Council activities since 2011. This publication contains statistical information on the evolving practice of the Security Council relating to meetings, missions, agenda, decisions and voting patterns, as well as on its subsidiary bodies.

The 2016 Highlights of Security Council is now available online (*click here*). It is also available on the Security Council website (*click here*). The Highlights is produced by the Security Council Practices and Charter Research Branch in the Security Council Affairs Division of the Department of Political Affairs. The Branch is also responsible for the drafting of the *Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council, which provides comprehensive coverage of the Security Council's interpretation and application of the United Nations Charter and its own Provisional Rules of Procedure since 1946.

For more information about the 2016 Highlights of Security Council Practice, please contact Mr. Xu Zheng (tel. 1 (917) 367-6900), Security Council Practices and Charter Research Branch, Security Council Affairs Division, Department of Political Affairs.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training in English (unless otherwise indicated) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the months of *January and February 2017*:

General Assembly documentation (English, French)

Security Council documentation

Introduction to United Nations documents

Finding speeches

Voting information

Introduction to legal resources

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*). For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

International Law Seminar for African Universities: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (19 to 30 June 2017): Urgent appeal for voluntary contributions and call for applications

The African Institute of International Law is planning to conduct the second International Law Seminar for African Universities at the Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa (Ethiopia) from 19 to 30 June 2017, to promote capacity building in international law education for the benefit of the faculty members of academic institutions and government training centres throughout the region.

The African Institute of International Law will conduct the seminar in cooperation with the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to General Assembly resolution 71/139 (A/RES/71/139).

The curriculum for this seminar will include: International Law (Ms. Boisson de Chazournes), International Trade Law and Environmental Law (Mr. Mbengue), African Union Law and Institutions (Judge Kioko), International and African Human Rights Law (Mr. Okafor), Law of the Sea (Ms. Oral); as well as International Humanitarian Law and International Criminal Law (Judge Advocate General Riordan).

The seminar is subject to funding by *voluntary contributions*. Voluntary contributions are *urgently needed* to ensure the continuation of this essential capacity building activity to promote international law education in Africa.

For further information, please contact the African Institute of International Law (e-mail info@aiil-iadi.org), or the Secretary of the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance, Ms. Virginia Morris (e-mail morrisv@un.org). Application forms are available on the AIIL website (*click here*).

Press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available on the General Assembly website (*click here*).

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* provides comprehensive coverage of the Security Council's interpretation and application of the United Nations Charter and its own Provisional Rules of Procedure. It is prepared by the Security Council Affairs Division in the Department of Political Affairs.

The *Repertoire* is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law and international relations, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations in following the evolving practice of the Council and gaining a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest printed volume (Seventeenth Supplement), covering the years 2010 to 2011, is now available.

For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288). The Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) and Part I of the Nineteenth Supplement (2014-2015) are available in their advance versions on the *Repertoire section* of the website of the Security Council.

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

The report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been issued in document A/70/723, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's report, contained in document A/70/824.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 25 January 2017

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

280th meeting

The Chair made a statement.

Consideration of and recommendations on issues arising in connection with the implementation of the Agreement between the United Nations and the United States of America regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations

Question of privileges and immunities – Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations and other relevant instruments

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, the United States, China, Cuba and Canada, as well as by the observers for the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Nicaragua, Belarus, the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Sudan.

The Chair made a statement.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission

Eleventh session

Organizational Committee

1st meeting

The outgoing Chair, His Excellency Macharia Kamau (Kenya), declared open the first meeting of the eleventh session of the Organizational Committee.

Adoption of the agenda [item 1]

The Committee had before it the provisional agenda, as contained in document PBC/11/OC/1.

The Committee adopted the provisional agenda.

Draft report of the Peacebuilding Commission on its tenth session [item 2]

The Committee had before it the draft report of the Peacebuilding Commission on its tenth session, as contained in document PBC/10/OC/L.1.

The Committee adopted the draft report.

Election of officers [item 3]

The Committee elected the Republic of Korea, represented by His Excellency Cho Tae-yul, as Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission for the period until 31 December 2017, by acclamation.

The Committee elected Kenya, represented by His Excellency Macharia Kamau, and Mexico, represented by His Excellency Juan José Gómez Camacho, as Vice-Chairs of the Peacebuilding Commission for the period until 31 December 2017, by acclamation.

Switzerland, Morocco, Canada, Sweden and Brazil were re-elected, for the period until 31 December 2017, to lead the Commission's country-specific engagement in Burundi, the Central African Republic, Sierra Leone, Liberia and Guinea-Bissau, respectively.

The outgoing Chair made a statement.

The Chair-elect made a statement.

Work plan of the Peacebuilding Commission [item 4]

The Committee adopted the annual work plan for the Commission.

Statements were made by the representatives of El Salvador and Japan.

The Assistant Secretary-General for Peacebuilding Support made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada, Brazil, Switzerland, Morocco, Sweden, Burundi, Guinea, Norway, France, Egypt, Bangladesh, Belgium, Argentina, Mexico, Colombia, Indonesia, Japan, Senegal and El Salvador.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization to the Convention on Biological Diversity. Nagoya, 29 October 2010

Accession: Qatar (25 January 2017)

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure. New York, 19 December 2011

Ratification: Liechtenstein (25 January 2017)

Paris Agreement. Paris, 12 December 2015

Ratification: Guatemala (25 January 2017)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *January 2017* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States

Burundi

His Excellency Albert Shingiro

Asia-Pacific States
Lebanon
His Excellency Nawaf Salam

Eastern European States
Lithuania
Her Excellency Raimonda Murmokaitė

Latin American and Caribbean States
Cuba
Her Excellency Ana Silvia Rodriguez Abascal
Chargée d'Affaires

Western European and other States
Switzerland
His Excellency Jürg Lauber

General Assembly
Seventy-first session

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The agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/71/251 and A/71/251/Add.1, and the allocation of agenda items for the session is contained in document A/71/252 and A/71/252/Add.1.

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/71/100 and the annotated draft agenda of the seventy-first session has been issued as document A/71/100/Add.1.

The following items on the agenda remain open for consideration during the seventy-first session of the General Assembly: agenda items 9 to 15, 19, 19 (h), 20, 28 to 35, 37, 38, 40 to 46, 51, 61, 62, 62 (a) and (b), 65, 65 (a), 66, 68, 68 (b), 69, 69 (a) to (d), 73, 73 (a), 87, 110 to 112, 114, 114 (a), 115, 115 (b) (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), and (l), 116 to 125, 126, 126 (b), (c), (e) to (h), (j), (k), (m), (p), (q), (s), (t) and (z), and 127 to 164.

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Security Council

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